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Building a Partnership with Your Child's School

School and Family partnerships help students become successful at school. Become a partner with your child's school in 2011. Listed below are several ways you can build successful partnerships with your child's school.

Ways to Be A Partner

- Let your child know that you expect good work in school and define what good work means to your family. Does it mean that all assignments must be turned in complete and on-time? Does it mean a score of 70% or less is not doing your best work? Determine what you expect and communicate it to your child.
- Establish a communication system with your child's teacher and use it frequently. Determine the communication type that works best for you. Do you prefer to talk over the phone, send emails, write notes, etc?
- Respond to all messages from school. Your lack of response may send the message that you are not involved in your child's education.
- Attend school meetings, events, and parentteacher conferences on a regular basis.
- Communicate under which conditions you can volunteer to partner with the school. When are you available to help? What are your strengths and interests? Do you have a special talent to share?
- Recruit and train other families to form a volunteer group that can be depended upon to help in various ways throughout the school.

KYPIRC Mission Statement

Coordinating services, sharing information, identifying resources, fostering contact, and creating a network to support the interest and needs of parents and schools, and subsequently improved academic achievement.



The sky's the limit for student achievement when parents are involved!

KYPIRC December Parent Trainings

Western KY Regional Training

December 9; 5:30—7:00 pm "Parenting for Nutrition and Fitness" Crofton Elementary, Christian Co.

North Central KY Regional Training

December 7; 6:00—7:30 pm "Parenting for Violence Prevention" Bullitt Lick Middle School, Bullitt Co.

Eastern KY Regional Training

December 8; 1:00—3:00 pm "Parenting for Fitness"
Little Mud Creek Community Center, Floyd Co.

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for more December training dates and other

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